DISSEMINATION AND TRANSMISSION

§518.44 Release and transmission pro-

Until FOUO status is terminated, the release and transmission instructions that follow apply:

(a) FOUO information may be disseminated within DoD Components and between officials of DoD Components and DoD contractors, consultants, and grantees to conduct official business for the Department of Defense. Recipients shall be made aware of the status of such information, and transmission shall be by means that preclude unauthorized public disclosure. Transmittal documents shall call attention to the presence of FOUO attachments.

(b) DoD holders of FOUO information are authorized to convey such information to officials in other departments and agencies of the executive and judicial branches to fulfill a government function, except to the extent prohibited by the Privacy Act. Records thus transmitted shall be marked "For Official Use Only," and the recipient shall be advised that the information has been exempted from public disclosure, pursuant to the FOIA, and that special handling instructions do or do not apply.

(c) Release of FOUO information to Members of Congress is governed by DoD Directive 5400.4 (reference (n)). Army implementing instructions are in §518.52 and in AR 1-20. Release to the GAO is governed by DoD Directive 7650.1 (reference (o)). Records released to the Congress or GAO should be reviewed to determine whether the information warrants FOUO status. If not, prior FOUO markings shall be removed or effaced. If withholding criteria are met, the records shall be marked FOUO and the recipient provided an explanation for such exemption and marking. Alternatively, the recipient may be requested, without marking the record, to protect against its public disclosure for reasons that are explained.

§ 518.45 Transporting FOUO information.

Records containing FOUO information shall be transported in a manner that precludes disclosure of the con-

tents. When not commingled with classified information, FOUO information may be sent via first-class mail or parcel post. Bulky shipments, such as distributions of FOUO Directives or testing materials, that otherwise qualify under postal regulations may be sent by fourth-class mail. When material marked FOUO is removed from storage, attach DA Label 87 (For Official Use Only Cover Sheet).

§ 518.46 Electrically transmitted messages.

Each part of electrically transmitted messages containing FOUO information shall be marked appropriately. Unclassified messages containing FOUO information shall contain the abbreviation "FOUO" before the beginning of the text. Such messages shall be transmitted in accordance with communications security procedures in ACP[EN]121 (U.S. Supp 1) (reference (p)) for FOUO information. Army follows the procedures in AR 25–11.

§518.47 Telephone usage.

- (a) FOUO information may be discussed over the telephone lines with DoD, other Government agencies, and Government support contractors for official purposes.
- (b) Facsimile communications marked FOUO may be transmitted by nonsecure terminals with the FOUO markings intact between U.S. DoD, other U.S. Government agencies, and U.S. Government support contractors for official purposes.

SAFEGUARDING FOUO INFORMATION

$\S 518.48$ During duty hours.

During normal working hours, records determined to be FOUO shall be placed in an out-of-sight location if the work area is accessible to non-governmental personnel. When material marked FOUO is removed from storage, attach DA Label 87.

§518.49 During nonduty hours.

At the close of business, FOUO records shall be stored so as to preclude unauthorized access. Filing such material with other unclassified records in unlocked files or desks, etc.,